

Sinclair
Broadcasting's
decision to force
their stations to
air an anti-Kerry
documentary days
before the election
is a clear example
of the dangers of
media consolidation.

As a member of the
listening audience I
am highly
dissatisfied in
using media
ownership to spread
political
favoritism. If this
file "Stolen Honor"
is presented then I
believe you must
show "Going Up
River" also and
prior to the
elections. However,
I personally resent
any media
presentations of
doubtful or
misleading
distortion of facts
to be allowed on the
air. What is
happening to our
American ideal of
honest elections.

Sinclair uses the
public airwaves free
of charge, and is
obligated by law to
serve the public
interest. But when
large companies
control the
airwaves, we get
more of what's good
for the bottom line
and less of what we
need for our
democracy. Instead
of something
produced at "News
Central" far away,
it's more important
that we see real
people from our own
communities and more
substantive news
about issues that
matter.

Sinclair's actions
show why we need to
strengthen media
ownership rules, not
weaken them. They
show why the license
renewal process
needs to involve
more than a returned
postcard.

I sincerely believe
that the public will
have a right to
demand removing the
license of stations
showing the film
"Stolen Honor" if
equal time is not
given by showing
"Going Up River"

Thank you.
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